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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL LONG COMMITTEE HEARINGS - CHAMORRO
TRAVEL
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1. IN ORDER TO BE IN A POSITION TO GUAGE HOW BEST TO
RESPOND TO ANY QUESTIONS FROM LONG COMMITTEE REGARDING
CHAMORRO TRAVEL, DEPT. NEEDS URGENTLY FURTHER INFORMATION
REGARDING ROLE WHICH SOMOZA COULD PLAY UNDER NICARAGUAN
LAW IN THE PRESENT CASE. REF (B) WAS HELPFUL, BUT WE
NEED SOME CLARIFICATION OF PARA. 5. DOES APPLICABLE LAW
GIVE SOMOZA THE POWER TO OVERTURN OR SUSPEND FOR ANY PERIOD
OF TIME THE INJUNCTION PRESENTLY PENDING AGAINST CHAMORRO?
IF SO, IS THERE ANY REASON HE COULD NOT DO SO NOW, I.E.,
WOULD APPLICABLE LAW PRECLUDE CONSIDERATION OF SUCH AN
APPEAL BY SOMOZA AT THIS STAGE OF THE PROCEEDING (FOR
EXAMPLE, THAT IT IS NOT YET TIMELY)? IS CHAMORRO'S APPEAL
DEFECTIVE, AND, IF SO, CAN HE PERFECT IT? IN WHAT WAY HAS
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CHAMORRO FAILED TO FOLLOW APPLICABLE PROCEDURES? WE HAVE
IMPRESSION FROM PARA 5 THAT SOMOZA COULD UNDER NICARAGUAN
LAW SUSPEND THE INJUNCTION, AND IS SIMPLY FINDING EXCUSES
TO AVOID CONSIDERING THE APPEAL. IS THIS EMBASSY'S ASSESS-
MENT?

2. DEPT. WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S URGENT

CONSIDERATION OF THESE QUESTIONS AND ITS FULLEST POSSI-
BLE RESPONSE WITHIN 24 HOURS.
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